DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

INDIANAPOLIS

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: November 14, 2000

To: Interested Parties

From: Janet McCabe, Assistant Commissioner

Office of Air Management

Subject: Indiana NOx SIP Call Rule

Notice of Public Meetings

IDEM is developing a rule to reduce the emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx) from power plants, large industrial boilers, and cement kilns, in compliance with the federal requirement known as the "NOx SIP Call." One of the goals of this rule is bring Lake, Porter, Clark, and Floyd counties into attainment with health standard for the pollutant ozone, which is caused in part by NOx emissions. The rule also will help other Indiana counties maintain compliance with the ozone standard.

The NOx SIP Call rule is a significant policy initiative of the state. Therefore, IDEM is planning to hold a series of public meetings around the state to receive comment on the draft rule. The schedule of meetings is as follows:

December 5	Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville Public Library	7 p.m.
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211 E. Court Avenue

December 6 Gary Ivy Tech 7 p.m.

Multipurpose Room 1440 E. 35th Avenue

December 12 Evansville IDEM Southwest Regional Office 7 p.m.

208 N.W. 4th Avenue

December 13 Ft. Wayne City County Building 7 p.m.

Omni Room #250

There also will be a meeting **December 7 in Indianapolis** of the NOx workgroup, an informal group of stakeholders who meet monthly to discuss the rule. This meeting will be held in the Indiana State Teachers Association Building at 150 West Market Street, in Rooms C & D, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

The draft rule will be published in the *Indiana Register* on December 1 for a 30 day public comment period. It is available now on IDEM's web site at www.state.in.us/idem/oam/standard/Sip/index.html. The rule will be presented to the Indiana Air Pollution Control Board for public hearing and preliminary adoption on February 7.

If you have any questions about the public meetings or this rulemaking action, please contact Roger Letterman at (317) 232-8342.